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SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF SOAMES VISIT

DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN MADE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT AT OCTOBER
26 PRESS BRIEFING:

1. CHRISTOPHER SOAMES, VICE-PRESIDENT FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES, WILL VISIT WASHINGTON OVER A THREE-DAY PERIOD. HE WILL IN WASHINGTON MEET WITH SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY SHULTZ OCTOBER 20, 10:00 A.M.; THE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY, PETER FLANAGAN, ON 31 OCTOBER, 1:00 P.M. HE WILL SEE THE SECRETARY OF STATE AT 3:00 P.M. ON OCTOBER 31. AND HE HAS A BREAKFAST MEETING GIVEN BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE ALSO OCTOBER 31 AT 8:00 A.M.

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2. SIR CHRISTOPHER IS COMING TO WASHINGTON FOR THE SEVENTH ROUND OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE EC COMMISSION AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THESE TALKS WILL BE LED ON THE AMERICAN SIDE BY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS WILLIAM J. CASEY, AND THE AMERICAN TEAM WILL INCLUDE SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM OTHER

INTERESTED EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.

3. THE TALKS BEGIN ON OCTOBER 29, COVER A BROAD RANGE OF MATTERS CONCERNING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EC, TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND TRADE POLICY, INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND ENERGY COOPERATION.

4. FOR THOSE OF YOU FURTHER INTERESTED IN SIR CHRISTOPHER, HE WILL INTERRUPT HIS TIME IN WASHINGTON, WHICH IS ROUGHLY FROM 28 TO 31 OCTOBER TO SPEAK IN NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 30 BEFORE THE EC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN NEW YORK CITY.

5. HE LEAVES THE U.S. FOR CANADA ON NOVEMBER 1. KISSINGER

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